



Client and Family Leadership Committee Charter (Draft)

Purpose: Ensure the perspective and participation of people with lived experience of serious mental health issues, including their parents/caregivers and family members, is a significant factor in all MHSOAC decisions and recommendations, consistent with MHS Sections 10, Part 3.7, 5845 (d3) and 5846 (c).

Objectives and example specific activities for 2009

1. Advise MHSOAC regarding its policies and recommendations, consistent with MHS Section 10, Part 3.7, 5846 (c)
2. Provide information to MHSOAC regarding client and family values and the recovery/wellness vision, consistent with MHS Sections 2(e) and 7, 5813.5 (d)
3. Increase the effectiveness of client and parent/caregiver and family involvement in planning and policy development for California's mental health system, consistent with Sections 7, Part 3, 5813.5(d) and 15, 5892(c) of the MHS
4. Ensure effective implementation, delivery, integration, and funding of mental health programs developed and led by clients and parents/caregivers and family members, consistent with Section 7, 5813.5 (d)

Examples of Specific Activities for 2009

1. Monitor, analyze and make recommendations regarding development and implementation of Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) statewide Stigma and Discrimination project (October, 2009)
2. Analyze and make recommendations regarding proposed MOU between MHSOAC, DMH, CMHDA and MHPC, particularly with regard to community program planning (April, 2009)
3. Make recommendations regarding community program planning, with particular application to the Integrated Plan (September, 2009)
4. Make recommendations regarding how to improve the effectiveness of public comment at MHSOAC meetings (June, 2009)

Guiding Principles

- Culturally and linguistically competent
- Likely to promote a client/parent/family-driven system
- Fully informed via a robust stakeholder process
- Promotes and reflects best practices and continuous improvement

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